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October 4, 1995

CERTIFIED RETURN RECEIPT
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Jim Smith
USMX, Goldstrike
P. O. Box 2650
St. George, Utah 84771

Re: Partial Release of Reclamation Surety, USMX, Goldstrike Mine, M/053/005,
Washington County, Utah

Dear Mr. Smith:

On September 13, 1995, Division and BLM staff jointly inspected areas of the Goldstrike Mine site which are in various stages of reclamation. A majority of these areas have been regraded, topsoiled and seeded within the year. The purpose of this inspection was to evaluate these reclaimed areas in response to the USMX letter of July 13, 1995, requesting partial release of reclamation surety.

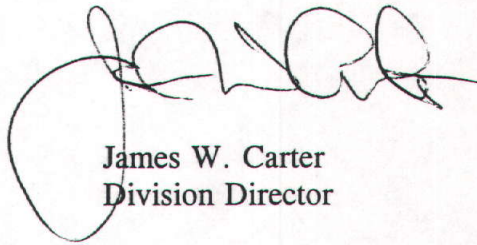
Division and BLM staff found a majority of the areas identified by the categories in the USMX letter to be satisfactorily reclaimed. Revegetation success on some portions of the site was exceptional, considering the areas had only survived one growing season. The unusually high amount of precipitation at the site has obviously aided in the vegetation success. One item listed in the USMX letter cannot be released at this time. Item 8.7 Revegetation which is indicated as being 35% complete with an amount of \$42,980 requested for release cannot be released at this time. The Division requires revegetation to survive three growing seasons and achieve 70% of pre-mining vegetative cover before granting revegetation release.

By this letter, the Division authorizes USMX to reduce the current \$2,067,300 surety amount by \$403,791 which will give a new surety amount of \$1,663,509 for the Goldstrike Mine. USMX may adjust the current joint surety bond by issuing a rider adjusting the surety amount to the new total (\$1,663,509) at your earliest convenience. The BLM Cedar City District has notified the Division that this reduction is also acceptable to them by letter dated September 26, 1995 (copy enclosed). Please let us know if you need any blank forms to affect this surety reduction.

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The Division appreciates your reclamation efforts and continued cooperation as the Goldstrike mine goes through the final phases of decommissioning. Please contact Wayne Hedberg, if you have any questions regarding this partial surety release.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'James W. Carter', with a large, stylized loop on the left side.

James W. Carter
Division Director

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Enclosure: BLM 9/26/95 letter

cc: Paul Valenti, USMX, Lakewood Office
Larry Gore, BLM Dixie Resource Area
Lowell Braxton, DOGM (route)
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